(b) As per the distribution policy, coal supplies are arranged only to actual consumers of coal as per linkages established and/or sponsorship issued by the sponsoring authorities. Linkages to consumers in the power sector are being given by the Standing Linkage Committee (SLC) set up by the Government in the Ministry of Coal. All consumers in the Steel Sector are given linkages by Linkage Committees set up by the Ministry of Steel. Similarly, all consumers in Cement Sector are given linkages by a Linkage Committee set up by the Government in the Ministry of Coal. Other consumers in the non-core sector i.e. industries other than power, cement and iron and steel are given linkages by a Linkage committee set up by the the coal companies themselves. However, a No Objection Certificate is required to be obtained from the Government whenever the coal companies wish to give a linkage for a quantity of more than 5000 tonnes per month in favour of such consumers.

[Translation]

Job to Youth in Industries

5617. SHRI K.D. SULTANPURI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the number of youths likely to get jobs in the industries set up by the Union Government and industrialists and the target fixed, if any, in this regard; and

(b) the number of persons likely to get jobs in the industrial sector in the coming years alongwith the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN) : (a) and (b). The rate of growth of employment generation in industrial, or in any other sector is contingent upon pace and pattern of the GDP growth in the sector. Projections for future are made as part of Five Year Plan exercises. The Eighth Five Year Plan had targetted an employment growth of 3.7% per annum in the manufacturing sector.

[English]

Article 371-F

5618. SHRI BHIM PRASAD DAHAL : Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have replaced the old laws of Sikkim like Income Tax Manual of 1940s without the consent of the people of Sikkim, and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS, LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT AND DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP) : (a) and (b). Sir, the Central Acts are generally extended to the State of Sikkim in consultation with the Government of that State. However, keeping in view the overall national interest the Income-tax Act, 1961, the Wealth-tax Act, 1957 and the Gift-tax Act, 1958 were extended to that State without the concurrence of the State Government in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (n) of article 371-F of the Constitution.

[Translation]

Sand Policy

5619. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether a new policy has been formulated to extract the sand in U.P.;

(b) if so, the districts where leases have been awarded by the Government so far in this regard;

(c) whether the leases have also been awarded in Jalaur, Banda, Fatehpur and Allahabad;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the date by which the leases will be awarded ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN) : (a) to (e). The subject matter does not relate to this Ministry. Information is being collected from the Ministry of Mines and the UP State Government and would be placed before Parliament on receipt at the earliest.

Agro Based Industries in Rural Areas

5620. SHRI PAWAN DIWAN :
SHRI MURALIDHAR JENA :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the steps taken by the Union Government to set up agro-based industries in rural areas during the year 1995-96, State-wise; and

(b) the success achieved by the Government so far in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN) : (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

Import of Machine for Hydel Power Scheme

5621. SHRI N.J. RATHWA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government have received any proposals/memoranda from the State Government of Gujarat in regard to import of machinery from abroad for Hydel Power Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the progress made in this regard, so far; and

(d) the time by which it is likely to be finalised and the reasons for the delay in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

[Translation]

Illegal Export of Cloth

5622. SHRI CHHITUBHAI GAMIT : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether some persons have been arrested in Gujarat for indulging in illegal export of cloth and readymade garments,

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of persons out of them arrested under FERA;

(d) whether some Custom officials are also involved in these irregularities;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government against the persons involved in these illegal exports ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) No Sir.

(b) to (f). Does not arise in view of (a) above.

[English]

U.T.I.

5623. DR. RAMKRISHNA KUSMARIA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Unit Trust of India propose to split its corpus and fund management activities into five to six district operating units;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) to (c). Unit Trust of India (UTI) has no corpus of its own. UTI currently manages schemes, with each scheme having its own corpus and separate identity. Accounts of every scheme are required to be maintained separately under the UTI Act. UTI has also planned an organisational restructuring to be in conformity with the regulatory requirements of the Securities and Exchange Board of India.

[Translation]

Reservation for Ex-servicemen in CIL

5624. SHRI RAMENDRA KUMAR :
SHRI SHATRUGHAN PRASAD SINGH :

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state

(a) the number of companies belonging to Ex-servicemen under the different subsidiaries of Coal India Limited and the details of allocation of work to these companies dunng the last three years company-wise;

(b) whether work allocation is being made to those companies also which are not following the norms laid down by the Government ; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and the persons responsible for the said allocations of work alongwith the action proposed to be taken against them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH) : (a) During the last three years, 91 transport companies of ex-servicemen were engaged in different subsidiaries of Coal India Limited. The subsidiary-wise break up is as under :

Name of the coal company	No. of ex-servicemen transport companies
Bharat Coking Coal Ltd.	10
Central Coalfields Ltd	18
Western Coalfields Ltd.	9
South Eastern Coalfields Ltd.	24
Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd.	30
Total	91

Details of allocation of work to these companies during the last three years, company-wise are furnished in the Statement attached.

(b) and (c). Transport Companies of ex-servicemen are engaged by the coal companies on the basis of sponsorship of Directorate General, Resettlement of the the Ministry of Defence.